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The Foothills Trail Club TALES July 2011

TALES is a bi-monthly newsletter devoted to informing club members about club business, activities and hikes, as well as about environmental issues related to trails and hiking, and other items of interest to hikers.

Please keep your submissions to a reasonable length and write or type clearly. If an article cannot be included in an issue, every effort will be made to put it in the next issue. Submitted articles may be edited if necessary.

The deadline for the September issue is August 1st.

Yahoo!

To become a member of the Yahoo trails news group go to: www.Yahoo.com, click on Groups (blue lettering) and type "foothillstrailclub" into the search box. When asked for your info complete as little as you wish to become a member. There is no cost to you and you can get and post the latest information available about trail issues.

Disclaimers

As a courtesy to our members we frequently provide information about events sponsored by other organizations. Unless published in the Foothills Trail Club schedule these events are not FTC outings. They are merely items of interest and anyone wanting more information should contact the appropriate organization.

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Remember to Respect Landowner rights:

Stay on the trail, don't take shortcuts, don't walk on crops, don't build fires or camp on private land and <u>NEVER, EVER</u> enter landowner buildings.

Keep Us in the Loop

GOING SOUTH FOR THE WINTER?

Please notify Membership Chair Roy Tocha or me. Also if you are moving to a new address notify Roy or me so that you will receive the Tales which are mailed by standard rate. Standard rate mailings are not forwarded by the Post Office. Thanks for your help in keeping our records up to date.

Thank you for your assistance.

Anne Beiter, Communication Chair

Upcoming Events and Activities-Save the Dates for 2011

July 25	Foothills Board meeting	Reinstein Library, Cheekt	owaga 6:30PM	all are welcome				
August 11 - 14	NCTA Annual meeting	Wright State Univ., Day	ton, Ohio					
August 28 -Sep	tember 2 Co	orbett Hollow Alley Cat	Hammondsport	Please volunteer				
September 17 -	21 Hickory Hill Alley Cat	Bath		Please volunteer				
September 17 Fall Potluck/General Meeting at Boston Conservation Club 2:00PM all are welcome NOTE: Date change!! Details to follow later in this edition								
September 26	Foothills Board meeting	Reinstein Library, Cheekt	owaga 6:30PM	all are welcome				
September 30-October 2								
-	FLTC Fall Campout	Chenango Valley SP	details in a fut	ure issue of <u>Tales</u>				
October 16	Wellsville Ridgewalk	Wellsville						
November 26	Foothills Board meeting	Reinstein Library, Chee	ktowaga 6:30PM	all are welcome				

Save the Dates and Volunteer

Fall Potluck

The Foothills Trail Club's annual Fall Potluck is scheduled for September 17th at the Boston Valley Conservation Society on Zimmerman Road. The event will begin with a hike of about 5 miles in length and will be lead by Sherry Schleede. Everyone is asked to bring a dish to share. There will be a short business meeting following the Potluck Lunch.

Wellsville Ridgewalk

19th Annual Ridgewalk and Run <u>October 16th 2011</u>
Registration after <u>JUNE 15</u> /Information: www.ridgewalk.com

Help Wanted

- > Landowner Relations Coordinators <u>Annette</u> <u>Brzezicki</u> will work with landowners on maps 5 & 6. Anyone who would like to become a landowner relations coordinator for any or all of maps 1-4, 7-12 please contact Pat Haynes.
- > Trail Steward There are several trail steward and assistant openings on Maps 1 12. If you are able to take on a section, please contact Dave Potzler at dpotzler: 166@wildblue.net or 949–3295.
- Membership <u>please recruit new members!!</u> A club eventually fails if there is not a steady influx of new membership. <u>If you have not renewed your membership</u>, <u>please do so as soon as possible</u>. Size matters!! The bigger the membership, the easier it becomes to manage the club and maintain the trail.

MEMBERSHIP

Welcome to our new members: Sheila & Tom Balke, Ellen Banks, Doreen Barr, Robert Chatterson, Carol Dambmann, Glenn & Laura Diamond, Dawn Gallagher, Claudia Lawler, Mary Malinowsky, Eva Mongeon, Jean & Jose Olea, Donna & Marty Ruszaj, Elaine Tober, Susan Vogel, Gary & Beverly Wesolowski, Deborah Zack

Member News

50th Anniversary Hike series

- > E2E hike #2 Saturday April 23rd.
 - Oriving to the start of the hike all I saw was rain, rain and more rain! However, as I approached Niagara Falls Blvd. Mother Nature intervened and the rain let up and by the time I parked my car at Ellicott Creek Park most of the rain had stopped. At the start of the hike the skies were overcast, but mid-way through the hike, the sun came out. What a great day we had!
- > E2E hike # 3 Saturday May 14th
 - Believe it or not again the threat of rain for this hike- but only a few drizzles here and there
 came down and again another great day hiking.
- > E2E hike # 4 Saturday June 4th.
 - Well, our luck finally caught up with us and on today's hike Mother Nature really socked it to us and the rain came down. Some hikers chose to bail out and finish up another time, while others decided to head forward just as the sky brightened up and the sun came out. All in all, another great hiking day was enjoyed by everyone.

Helping to put this hike series together are:

Attendance - Jeanne Moog

Half hike arrangements - Dee McCarthy

Name Tag (wooden cookie maker) - Frank Occhiuto

Registration - Donna Frantz

Sag/goodie helpers - Pam Bassett, Bill Boehm, Kathy Laynor, Carol Mallon, Connie Umland, and Carol Waz.

Our hike leaders and sweeps are: Susan Collier, Diane Fenski, Donna Flood, Kathy Foote, Melanie Okoniewski, Gus Phillips. Mike Schlicht. Shari Senefelder. Denise Smith, Quinn Wright

Foothills volunteers you are the best.

Thanks again everyone,

Annette, Jake & Mike.

Hike Rating

- 1 Leisurely pace or Nature walk
- 2 Moderate pace
- 3 Brisk, steady pace
- 4 Fast pace
- A Flat or very gently rolling terrain
- B Moderate hilly terrain
- C Steep hills, scrambles possible

Hiker's Corner

- > INSURANCE NOTE: Attention members: Foothills Trail Club carries liability insurance to financially protect all of us in case a participant in a Foothills activity is injured. As a condition of our insurance coverage, every participant in an activity needs to sign the liability waiver before the activity begins. So please make sure you sign the form!
- Hike Leaders and Hikers: Before you commit to lead a club hike or plan a personal hike, check the trail conditions to ensure that the trail is open. This information can be found on the FLT website: www.fingerlakestrail.org. Click on "TRAIL CONDITIONS" and select the map # for your intended hike. Map numbers that appear in ORANGE have trails closures for hunting. Trail conditions are outlined for all the other maps #'s.
- HIKER RESPONSIBILITY: We remind you that you, and only you, are responsible for your own actions. Come to our events prepared. Do not participate if the event may present a hazard for which you or your party members are not prepared. If weather is questionable or if you have questions, please call the named hike coordinator; the hike may be canceled. When participating, please respect the coordinator and do not break away from the group without telling them. We suggest you always keep your eye on someone in front of you, and behind you if you are in the lead. Please remember that hike leaders are not guides; they are volunteers, willing to share their knowledge and experience with you. Please give them your cooperation and respect. The leader has the right to refuse anyone who is not prepared for the outing. In addition, if the hike leader does arrange carpooling, passengers are expected to contribute toward the cost of transportation. Finally, since there are RISKS INVOLVED in hiking everyone participating does so at his or her own risk.
- REMEMBER TO RESPECT LANDOWNER RIGHTS: Stay on the trail, don't take shortcuts, don't walk on crops, don't build fires or camp on private land and <u>NEVER, EVER</u> enter landowner buildings.
- > There are hikes or skating scheduled for many days in January and February. Be sure to thank those members who have volunteered to lead these activities.

Hike Rating

1 - Leisurely pace or Nature walk

B - Moderate hilly terrain

2 - Moderate pace

C - Steep hills, scrambles possible

A - Flat or very gently rolling terrain

3 - Brisk, steady pace 4 - Fast pace

6:30pm

6 mi

2A

Friday, July 1 Evening Riverwalk

MEET: near the Riverwalk across from Mississippi Mudds on River Road, Tonawanda. Call CONNIE UMLAND 833-3851

Saturday, July 2 Niagara Falls 10am

6 mi

2B

MEET: at the Niagara Falls Whirlpool parking lot. We will walk from the Whirlpool State Park, down the stairs into the Niagara Gorge, go to the Whirlpool, backtrack to the Devil's Hole in the Gorge and hike up the stairs to the rim and back to the Whirlpool parking lot. Call ROY TOCHA 254-4285 or RRTocha@yahoo.com

Sunday, July 3

2pm

3-4 mi

2A

South Park / Our Lady of Victory Basilica/ Holy Cross Cemetery

MEET: in the parking lot just right of the Botanical Gardens off of South Park Avenue. We will walk to the Basilica, through the old section of Holy Cross Cemetery, walk back to South Park and do one or two laps around the ring road. Call KATHY FOOTE 675-3989

Monday, July 4

10am

5 mi

2B

Bear Cave Hike at Allegany State Park

MEET: at the Quaker Side Registration Building. Following the hike, we'll have a picnic. So bring a dish to pass. Pat will supply the hot dogs. Call PAT HAYNES 699-6056 or 472-5189 (cell phone) with questions or to set up a carpool.

Tuesday Saunter, July 5 Conservation Trail

10am

3.6 mi

1A

MEET: at water intake towers in Niagara Falls, NY. We will hike the Niagara River Bike Trail to the Rainbow Bridge. This is Part 1 of the makeup of the first half of the Conservation Trail End-to-End #1 hike. Call DORIS KONOWALSKI 875-9475

Tuesday, July 5

6:30pm

4 mi

2B

Stiglmeier Park
MEET: after enter

MEET: after entering the park at the entrance on Losson Road, turn right and go to the last parking lot (past the playground). Call KATHY FOOTE 675-3989

Wednesday Night Mini-Hike, July 6

6:30pm

4 mi

2A

Erie Beach, Canada

MEET: at Old "Fort Erie" parking lot (.9 miles south of the Peace Bridge). Take the Peace Bridge to QEW to Central Avenue exit. Optional: bring snack/beverage for social after hike. Don't forget ID for the bridge! Call ELAINE EVANOVICH 826-2465 or 445-9195

Thursday, July 7

6:30pm

5 mi

3B

Chestnut Ridge Park – Good Cardio Workout

MEET: in casino parking lot. Call GUS PHILLIPS 646-5034

Hike Rating

1 - Leisurely pace or Nature walk

2 - Moderate pace

B - Moderate hilly terrain

3 - Brisk, steady pace

C - Steep hills, scrambles possible

A - Flat or very gently rolling terrain

4 - Fast pace

Friday, July 8 Evening Riverwalk 6:30pm

6 mi

2A

MEET: near the Riverwalk across from Mississippi Mudds on River Road, Tonawanda. Call CONNIE UMLAND 833-3851

Saturday, July 9

9:30am

6 mi

2A

Conservation Trail End-to-End Shorter Hike #5A Reynolds Road to Kutter's Cheese (CT8, Access 5 to 3)

MEET: at Kutter's Cheese, 857 Main Road #1 (Rt. 5), Corfu, NY. Directions to Kutter's Cheese: from I-90 take exit 48A (Rt. 77). At light turn right. Proceed to Rt. 5 and turn right. Just before the overpass, Kutter's Cheese is on the right. Park in Kutter's Cheese parking lot. We will spot cars at Reynolds Road and hike back. Call DEE McCARTHY 866-1233

Sunday, July 10 Holland

1pm

6pm

3-4 mi

5 or 8 mi

2B

3A

MEET: at 7626 Vermont Hill Road, 2 miles north of Vermont Street or 3.4 miles south of Warner Hill Road. Park off the road in barnyard. Ben will provide hot dogs, hamburgers and sausage after the hike. Please bring salads or dessert to share. Call BEN PETRYSZAK 537-2121

Monday, July 11 Evening City Walk – Good Cardio Workout

MEET: St. John's-Grace Episcopal Church, Historic Landmark, at the corner of Bidwell & Colonial Circle (parallel to Lafayette & Bidwell), on the Lafayette Avenue side of the church. We will walk up Bidwell to Chapin Parkway, down Lincoln, around Hoyt Lake and back again. Optional: add 3 miles by walking around the ring road (Buffalo Zoo) at Delaware Park. Bring water. No hike if raining. Call TARA WELTY 852-3090 Please, no phone calls the day of the hike; they will not be returned!

Tuesday Saunter, July 12

10am

2-3 mi

1A

Knox Farm State Park

MEET: at Seneca Street main entrance. Call JEANNE MOOG 445-3179

Tuesday, July 12 Stiglmeier Park 6:30pm

4 mi

2B

MEET: after entering the park at the entrance on Losson Road, turn right and go to the last parking lot (past the playground). Call KATHY FOOTE 675-3989

Wednesday Night Mini-Hike, July 13

6:30pm

3 mi

1A

Central Park

MEET: at the corner of Main Street and E. Morris Avenue (near Bennett High School). Call DAVID WITTMANN 823-8156

Thursday, July 14 Waterfront

9am

4 mi

3A

MEET: at the Hatch. We'll walk from the Erie Basin Marina, through LaSalle Park, to the Buffalo Yacht Club and back. Call TARA WELTY 852-3090

Hike Rating

1 - Leisurely pace or Nature walk

2 - Moderate pace

A - Flat or very gently rolling terrainB - Moderate hilly terrain

3 - Brisk, steady pace

4 - Fast pace

C - Steep hills, scrambles possible

Thursday, July 14

6:30pm

5 mi

3B

Chestnut Ridge Park – Good Cardio Workout

MEET: in casino parking lot. Call GUS PHILLIPS 646-5034

Friday, July 15 Evening Riverwalk 6:30pm

6 mi

2A

MEET: near the Riverwalk across from Mississippi Mudds on River Road, Tonawanda. Call CONNIE UMLAND 833-3851

Saturday, July 16 Zoar Valley

9:30am

6-8 mi

2B

MEET: at the Camp Road exit of the Thruway in the old Bob Evans parking lot. We will hike the South Rim of the Main Branch of Cattaraugus Creek. We will drive to Gowanda, NY, and park next to the power line and hike to the Gorge from there. Call ROY TOCHA 254-4285 or RRTocha@yahoo.com

or

Saturday, July 16

10am

4 mi

2A

Williamsville Escarpment to Glen Park

MEET: in Wegman's parking lot, Sheridan Drive & Essjay Road, first entrance. Optional: stop at farmer's market. Call GAIL SYTY 691-6750

Sunday, July 17

10am

3-4 mi

2B

Eighteen Mile Creek

MEET: at entrance to Red Roof Inn (old Bob Evans restaurant) on Camp Road (Rt. 75) in Hamburg. Call GUS PHILLIPS at 646-5034

or

Sunday, July 17 Corfu 2pm

6 mi

2B

MEET: at Kutter's Cheese on Route 5. We will hike from Reynolds Road back to Kutter's Cheese. There's lots of poison ivy. So wear long pants! Call DONNA FLOOD 759-6442

Monday, July 18

6pm

5 or 8 mi

3A

Evening City Walk – Good Cardio Workout

MEET: St. John's-Grace Episcopal Church, Historic Landmark, at the corner of Bidwell & Colonial Circle (parallel to Lafayette & Bidwell), on the Lafayette Avenue side of the church. We will walk up Bidwell to Chapin Parkway, down Lincoln, around Hoyt Lake and back again. Optional: add 3 miles by walking around the ring road (Buffalo Zoo) at Delaware Park. Bring water. No hike if raining. Call TARA WELTY 852-3090 Please, no phone calls the day of the hike; they will not be returned!

Hike Rating

1 - Leisurely pace or Nature walk

A - Flat or very gently rolling terrain B - Moderate hilly terrain

2 - Moderate pace 3 - Brisk, steady pace

C - Steep hills, scrambles possible

4 - Fast pace

Tuesday Saunter, July 19 Tillman Nature Preserve

10am

4 mi

2A

MEET: at parking lot at corner of Strickler Road and Wehrle Road in Clarence. Call SANDY WARNER 759-6345 or swarner274@aol.com

Tuesday, July 19 Stiglmeier Park

6:30pm

4 mi

2B

MEET: after entering the park at the entrance on Losson Road, turn right and go to the last parking lot (past the playground). Call KATHY FOOTE 675-3989

Wednesday Night Mini-Hike, July 20

6:30pm

4 mi

2B

Knox Farm State Park

MEET: in parking lot off Route 16 (Seneca Street) near Bowen Road.

Call JEANNE MOOG 652-6190 (445-3179 day of hike)

Thursday, July 21

6:30pm

5 mi

3B

Chestnut Ridge Park – Good Cardio Workout

MEET: in casino parking lot. Call GUS PHILLIPS 646-5034

Friday, July 22 **Evening Riverwalk** 6:30pm

6 mi

2A

MEET: near the Riverwalk across from Mississippi Mudds on River Road, Tonawanda. Call CONNIE UMLAND 833-3851

Saturday, July 23

Conservation Trail End-to-End #6

Sunday, July 24

9am

approx. 12 mi

2C

Finger Lakes Trail – Maples-Ellicottville Road to Cobb Property (CT3 & 4)

MEET: at Cobb property on Route 242. Lots of hills! Call NICK SCARANO 716-543-7591

Monday, July 25

6pm

5 or 8 mi

3A

Evening City Walk – Good Cardio Workout

MEET: St. John's-Grace Episcopal Church, Historic Landmark, at the corner of Bidwell & Colonial Circle (parallel to Lafayette & Bidwell), on the Lafayette Avenue side of the church. We will walk up Bidwell to Chapin Parkway, down Lincoln, around Hoyt Lake and back again. Optional: add 3 miles by walking around the ring road (Buffalo Zoo) at Delaware Park. Bring water. No hike if raining. Call TARA WELTY 852-3090 Please, no phone calls the day of the hike; they will not be returned!

Tuesday Saunter, July 26

10am

3 mi

2A

18 Mile Creek

MEET: at Old Lake Shore Road fishing access on left past North Creek Road. We will hike the trail to the beach and walk on the beach. If rain, the hike will be cancelled. Call BARBARA MORRISEY 627-3878

Hike Rating

1 - Leisurely pace or Nature walk

B - Moderate hilly terrain

2 - Moderate pace 3 - Brisk, steady pace A - Flat or very gently rolling terrain C - Steep hills, scrambles possible

4 - Fast pace

Tuesday, July 26 Stiglmeier Park

6:30pm 4 mi

MEET: after entering the park at the entrance on Losson Road, turn right and go to the last parking lot (past the playground). Call KATHY FOOTE 675-3989

Wednesday Night Mini-Hike, July 27 **Emery Park**

6:30pm

3 mi

2B-C

2B

MEET: in parking lot on the left, past the ski hill, off of Emery Road.

Call BLAINE BOECKEL 604-4095

Thursday, July 28

9am

5 mi

3A

Times Beach

MEET: at Tifft Nature Preserve. We will hike the trail along the lake to Times Beach, visit the Coast Guard area and walk back to Tifft. Call TARA WELTY 852-3090

Thursday, July 28

6:30pm

5 mi

3B

Chestnut Ridge Park - Good Cardio Workout

MEET: in casino parking lot. Call GUS PHILLIPS 646-5034

Friday, July 29 **Evening Riverwalk** 6:30pm

6 mi

2A

MEET: near the Riverwalk across from Mississippi Mudds on River Road, Tonawanda. Call CONNIE UMLAND 833-3851

Saturday, July 30

9:30am

4.2 mi

2B

Conservation Trail End-to-End Shorter Hike #6A

Getman Road to Folsomdale & Sinn Road (CT7, Access 9 to 7)

MEET: Folsomdale & Sinn Road, Folsomdale, NY. Directions to Folsomdale: from the 400S, exit at Rt. 20A (East Aurora) and turn left. Follow Rt. 20A East to Folsomdale Road (aka CR35/Dutch Hollow Road) approx. 7.7 miles. Turn left onto Folsomdale. Sinn Road is approximately three miles down the road. Parking available on Folsomdale & Sinn Road. Sinn Road is preferable. We will spot cars at Getman Road and hike back. Call DEE McCARTHY 866-1233

Sunday, July 31 Clarence

9:30 am

6-7 mi

2A

MEET: at parking lot on Sawmill Road, behind the gas station on the corner of Main Street (Route 5) and Sawmill Road. This mostly level hike will be on paved trail and in wooded areas. Call MARIA PECENCO 759-2628

Hike Rating

1 - Leisurely pace or Nature walk

2 - Moderate pace

A - Flat or very gently rolling terrain B - Moderate hilly terrain

3 - Brisk, steady pace

C - Steep hills, scrambles possible

4 - Fast pace

5 or 8 mi

Monday, Aug 1 **Evening City Walk – Good Cardio Workout**

MEET: St. John's-Grace Episcopal Church, Historic Landmark, at the corner of Bidwell & Colonial Circle (parallel to Lafayette & Bidwell), on the Lafayette Avenue side of the church. We will walk up Bidwell to Chapin Parkway, down Lincoln, around Hoyt Lake and back again. Optional: add 3 miles by walking around the ring road (Buffalo Zoo) at Delaware Park. Bring water. No hike if raining. Call TARA WELTY 852-3090 Please, no phone calls the day of the hike; they will not be returned!

Tuesday Saunter, Aug 2 Riverwalk

10am

6pm

4 mi

1A

3A

MEET: at parking lot on the right at the end of Ferry Street. We will walk north along river path. Call GERI CIPRICH 684-4449 or ciprich6@verizon.net

Tuesday, Aug 2 Stiglmeier Park 6:30pm

4 mi

2B

MEET: after entering the park at the entrance on Losson Road, turn right and go to the last parking lot (past the playground). Call KATHY FOOTE 675-3989

Wednesday Night Mini-Hike, Aug 3

6:30pm

3-4 mi

2A

Como Park

MEET: at first shelter off of Bowen Road entrance. Call FRANK OCCHIUTO 651-9877

Thursday, Aug 4

6:30pm

5 mi

3B

Chestnut Ridge Park – Good Cardio Workout

MEET: in casino parking lot. Call GUS PHILLIPS 646-5034

Friday, Aug 5 **Evening Riverwalk** 6:30pm

6 mi

2A

MEET: near the Riverwalk across from Mississippi Mudds on River Road, Tonawanda. Call CONNIE UMLAND 833-3851

Saturday, Aug 6

Conservation Trail End-to-End #7

Sunday, Aug 7 Williamsville

10:30am

3-4 mi

2A

MEET: at Park & Ride at Union Road and Main Street. We will walk the Lehigh Memory Trail and visit the Taste of Williamsville. Call GAIL SYTY 691-6750

Hike Rating

1 - Leisurely pace or Nature walk

A - Flat or very gently rolling terrain B - Moderate hilly terrain

2 - Moderate pace 3 - Brisk, steady pace

4 - Fast pace

C - Steep hills, scrambles possible

5 or 8 mi

Monday, Aug 8 **Evening City Walk – Good Cardio Workout**

MEET: St. John's-Grace Episcopal Church, Historic Landmark, at the corner of Bidwell & Colonial Circle (parallel to Lafayette & Bidwell), on the Lafayette Avenue side of the church. We will walk up Bidwell to Chapin Parkway, down Lincoln, around Hoyt Lake and back again. Optional: add 3 miles by walking around the ring road (Buffalo Zoo) at Delaware Park. Bring water. No hike if raining. Call TARA WELTY 852-3090 Please, no phone calls the day of the hike; they will not be returned!

Tuesday Saunter, Aug 9 Hunters Creek Park

10am

6pm

3-4 mi

2A

3A

MEET: at Centerline Road parking lot. The trails are dirt and could be muddy. Some gentle hills. Call JEANNE MOOG 652-6190 (445-3179 day of hike)

Tuesday, Aug 9 Stiglmeier Park

6:30pm

4 mi

2B

MEET: after entering the park at the entrance on Losson Road, turn right and go to the last parking lot (past the playground). Call KATHY FOOTE 675-3989

Wednesday Night Mini-Hike, Aug 10 **Erie Basin Marina to LaSalle Park**

6:30pm

4 mi

2A

MEET: at the Hatch restaurant. Optional: ice cream after the hike.

Call SHARI SENEFELDER 694-4346

Thursday, Aug 11 Waterfront

9am

4 mi

3A

MEET: at the Hatch. We'll walk from the Erie Basin Marina, through LaSalle Park, to the Buffalo Yacht Club and back. Call TARA WELTY 852-3090

Thursday, Aug 11

6:30pm

5 mi

3B

Chestnut Ridge Park – Good Cardio Workout

MEET: in casino parking lot. Call GUS PHILLIPS 646-5034

Friday, Aug 12 **Evening Riverwalk** 6:30pm

6 mi

2A

MEET: near the Riverwalk across from Mississippi Mudds on River Road, Tonawanda. Call CONNIE UMLAND 833-3851

Saturday, Aug 13

9:30 am

4 mi

2B

Conservation Trail End-to-End Shorter Hike #7A

Woodchuck Road to Hunters Creek Park (CT7, Access 4 to 2)

MEET: at Hunters Creek Park, Centerline Road. Directions: from 400S, exit at Rt. 20A and turn left. Follow Rt. 20A East to Reiter/Sheppard Hill Road (less than one mile), turn right onto Reiter Road. Turn left onto Centerline Road (CR 92), turn left into parking lot at Hunters Creek Park. We will spot cars at Woodchuck Road and hike back. Call DEE McCARTHY 866-1233

Hike Rating

1 - Leisurely pace or Nature walk

B - Moderate hilly terrain

2 - Moderate pace 3 - Brisk, steady pace 4 - Fast pace

C - Steep hills, scrambles possible

A - Flat or very gently rolling terrain

Saturday Evening Hike, Aug 13 Kutter's Cheese to Reynolds Road

8pm Sharp!

6.3 mi

2B

Did you miss the 50th Anniversary Hike #5? Well, you can hike part one of that series. We'll meet at Kutter's Cheese and drive to Reynolds Road and hike back to our cars. Bring a headlamp, flashlight and wear something bright! Call MIKE SCHLICHT 716-316-4388

Sunday, Aug 14 Holland

2pm

3-4 mi

2B

MEET: at 7626 Vermont Hill Road, 2 miles north of Vermont Street or 3.4 miles south of Warner Hill Road. Park off the road in barnyard. Potluck after hike. Call BEN PETRYSZAK 537-2121

Monday, Aug 15

6pm

5 or 8 mi

3A

Evening City Walk – Good Cardio Workout

MEET: St. John's-Grace Episcopal Church, Historic Landmark, at the corner of Bidwell & Colonial Circle (parallel to Lafayette & Bidwell), on the Lafayette Avenue side of the church. We will walk up Bidwell to Chapin Parkway, down Lincoln, around Hoyt Lake and back again. Optional: add 3 miles by walking around the ring road (Buffalo Zoo) at Delaware Park. Bring water. No hike if raining. Call TARA WELTY 852-3090 Please, no phone calls the day of the hike; they will not be returned!

Tuesday Saunter, Aug 16

10am

3.7 mi

1A

Conservation Trail

MEET: at water intake towers in Niagara Falls, NY. We will hike the Niagara River Bike Trail and go over the North Grand Island Bridge to the eagle overlook (Niagara County Water Department building). This is Part 2 of the makeup of the first half of the Conservation Trail End-to-End Hike #1. Call DORIS KONOWALKSI 875-9475

Tuesday, Aug 16 Stiglmeier Park

6:30pm

4 mi

2B

MEET: after entering the park at the entrance on Losson Road, turn right and go to the last parking lot (past the playground). Call KATHY FOOTE 675-3989

Wednesday Night Mini-Hike, Aug 17

6:30pm

3-4 mi

2A

Clarence Bike Path

MEET: at bike path parking lot on Salt Road near Main Street. Optional: ice cream stop. Call DONNA FLOOD 759-6442

Thursday, Aug 18

6:30pm

5 mi

3B

Chestnut Ridge Park – Good Cardio Workout

MEET: in casino parking lot. Call GUS PHILLIPS 646-5034

Friday, Aug 19

6:30pm

6 mi

2A

Evening Riverwalk

MEET: near the Riverwalk across from Mississippi Mudds on River Road, Tonawanda. Call CONNIE UMLAND 833-3851

Hike Rating

1 - Leisurely pace or Nature walk

2 - Moderate pace

B - Moderate hilly terrain

3 - Brisk, steady pace

4 - Fast pace

A - Flat or very gently rolling terrain C - Steep hills, scrambles possible

Saturday, Aug 20

11am

6 mi

2C

Letchworth State Park – Hike to follow Trail #1 along gorge

MEET: at the Glen Iris Inn parking lot. For carpooling, meet at Stiglmeier Park (first lot on the left upon entrance) at 9am sharp. Confirm if rain or, for further information, call KATHY or FRANK OCCHIUTO 651-9877 (868-2119 day of hike)

Saturday Evening Hike. Aug 20

8pm Sharp!

approx. 6 mi

2B

Reynolds Road to Route 20A at Darien Lake State Park

Did you miss the 50th Anniversary Hike #5? Well, you can hike part two of that series. We'll meet at the parking lot at Rt. 20A/Darien Lake and drive to Reynolds Road and hike back to our cars. Bring a headlamp, flashlight and wear something bright! Call MIKE SCHLICHT 716-316-4388

Sunday, Aug 21 **Clarence**

2pm

3 mi

2A

MEET: at Wehrle bike path parking lot and hike to Salt Road. Stop for ice cream at Gianni Mazia's. Call DONNA FLOOD 759-6442

Monday, Aug 22

6pm

5 or 8 mi

3A

Evening City Walk – Good Cardio Workout

MEET: St. John's-Grace Episcopal Church, Historic Landmark, at the corner of Bidwell & Colonial Circle (parallel to Lafayette & Bidwell), on the Lafayette Avenue side of the church. We will walk up Bidwell to Chapin Parkway, down Lincoln, around Hoyt Lake and back again. Optional: add 3 miles by walking around the ring road (Buffalo Zoo) at Delaware Park. Bring water. No hike if raining. Call TARA WELTY 852-3090 Please, no phone calls the day of the hike; they will not be returned!

Tuesday Saunter, Aug 23 Birdsong Sanctuary

10am

2.5 mi

1A

MEET: at Birdsong Road, off Jewett Holmwood, parking lot, left hand side. Call LORI HARF 681-3719

Tuesday, Aug 23 Stiglmeier Park

6:30pm

4 mi

2B

MEET: after entering the park at the entrance on Losson Road, turn right and go to the last parking lot (past the playground). Call KATHY FOOTE 675-3989

Wednesday Night Mini-Hike, Aug 24

6:30pm

4 mi

2A

Buckhorn State Park, Grand Island

MEET: in parking lot on East River Parkway (approx. .2 miles from Baseline Road). Take "Long Road" exit on the island to Baseline Road. Call CAROL RACEY 693-2274

Thursday, Aug 25 **Times Beach**

9am

5 mi

3A

MEET: at Tifft Nature Preserve. We will hike the trail along the lake to Times Beach, visit the Coast Guard area and walk back to Tifft. Call TARA WELTY 852-3090

Hike Rating

1 - Leisurely pace or Nature walk

A - Flat or very gently rolling terrainB - Moderate hilly terrain

2 - Moderate pace

C - Steep hills, scrambles possible

3 - Brisk, steady pace 4 - Fast pace

Thursday, Aug 25

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5 mi

3B

Chestnut Ridge Park – Good Cardio Workout

MEET: in casino parking lot. Call GUS PHILLIPS 646-5034

Friday, Aug 26 Evening Riverwalk 6:30pm

6:30pm

6 mi

2A

MEET: near the Riverwalk across from Mississippi Mudds on River Road, Tonawanda. Call CONNIE UMLAND 833-3851

Saturday, Aug 27

Conservation Trail End-to-End #8

Sunday, Aug 28

9:30am

4-6 mi

1A

Amherst Canalway Trail

MEET: at Amherst Museum, by Tonawanda Creek Road, in rear parking lot. Call MARIE SCHILLO 832-1921

or

Sunday, Aug 28

4 or 8 mi

3A

Grand Island – Two Hikes

MEET: at Beaver Island parking lot closest to the casino (usually no parking attendant until 9am). First hike will be 5 miles around Beaver Island State Park (9am – 10:30am). Afterwards, we will drive to Buckhorn State Park and at 11am hike another 4 miles. So, join us for just one hike or both! Plan on a picnic back at Beaver Island around 1PM if the weather is good. Call QUINN WRIGHT 826-1939

Monday, Aug 29

6pm

5 or 8 mi

3A

Evening City Walk – Good Cardio Workout

MEET: St. John's-Grace Episcopal Church, Historic Landmark, at the corner of Bidwell & Colonial Circle (parallel to Lafayette & Bidwell), on the Lafayette Avenue side of the church. We will walk up Bidwell to Chapin Parkway, down Lincoln, around Hoyt Lake and back again. Optional: add 3 miles by walking around the ring road (Buffalo Zoo) at Delaware Park. Bring water. No hike if raining. Call TARA WELTY 852-3090 Please, no phone calls the day of the hike; they will not be returned!

Tuesday Saunter, Aug 30

10am

3.5 mi

1A

Margaret Louise Park

MEET: at Dashes Plaza parking lot facing Hopkins Road. Call GAIL SYTY 691-6750

Tuesday, Aug 30

6:30pm

4 mi

2B

Stiglmeier Park

MEET: after entering the park at the entrance on Losson Road, turn right and go to the last parking lot (past the playground). Call KATHY FOOTE 675-3989

Hike Rating

1 - Leisurely pace or Nature walk

A - Flat or very gently rolling terrain

2 - Moderate pace

B - Moderate hilly terrain

3 - Brisk, steady pace 4 - Fast pace C - Steep hills, scrambles possible

Wednesday Night Mini-Hike, Aug 31 Williamsville Escarpment to Glen Park

6:30pm

4 mi

2B

MEET: at Wegman's parking lot, Sheridan Drive and Essjay Road, first entrance. Call GAYLE SYTY 691-6750

Future Hikes:

Wednesday Night Mini-Hike, Sep 7

6:30pm

3.5 mi

2A

Ellicott Creek Park

MEET: at first large parking area in park off of Niagara Falls Blvd. (across from Paul's Jewelers). Call GAYLE SYTY 691-6750

Wednesday Night Mini-Hike, Sep 14 Ellicott Creek Trailway 6:30pm

4 mi

2A

MEET: in parking area on North Forest Road, north of Maple Road.

Call DEE McCARTHY 866-1233